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SUBJECT: VISIT OF FORMER AMBASSADOR TO SOUTH AFRICA

1. MR. WALDEMAR J. GALLMAN, A RETIRED FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER WHO WAS AMBASSADOR TO SOUTH AFRICA FROM 1951 TO 1954, PLANS TO TRAVEL TO PRETORIA AND JOHANNESBURG TO OBTAIN MATERIAL FOR A BOOK ON SOUTH AFRICA. HE IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN JOHANNESBURG ON SEPTEMBER 18 AND REMAIN THERE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 23 WHEN HE WILL GO TO PRETORIA. HE ANTICIPATES BEING IN PRETORIA UNTIL OCTOBER 1. HE MAY ALSO VISIT NAMIBIA BEFORE RETURNING TO THE U.S.

2. AMBASSADOR GALLMAN HAS ALREADY BEEN IN TOUCH WITH CONSUL GENERAL JOHNSON. AT THE DEPARTMENT'S SUGGESTION HE IS WRITING TO POLITICAL COUNSELOR MUNN TO DESCRIBE HIS PROJECT IN MORE DETAIL AND TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE AND GUIDANCE CONCERNING SOUTH AFRICAN CONTACTS. MR. GALLMAN EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO PAY A COURTESY CALL ON THE AMBASSADOR.

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